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12:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
Honorable James "Pate" Philip, Wood Dale, Illinois, presiding.  
Prayer by Pastor Milton Bost, Pasfield Southern Baptist Church,  
Springfield, Illinois.  
Senator Sieben led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Tuesday, November 30, 1999, was being read when on motion of Senator Myers further reading of same was dispensed with and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

The Journal of Wednesday, December 1, 1999, was being read when on motion of Senator Myers further reading of same was dispensed with and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would

stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

The Journal of Thursday, December 2, 1999, was being read when on motion of Senator Myers further reading of same was dispensed with and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

#### **REPORTS RECEIVED**

The Secretary placed before the Senate the following reports:

A status report of pending projects for the construction, renovation or rehabilitation of a school building or related facility submitted by the Public Building Commission of Chicago pursuant to Senate Bill 265, which amended Section 19.1 of the Public Building Commission Act (50 ILCS 20/1 et. seq.).

A report on State Plan on Aging, Fiscal Years 2000 - 2002, submitted by the Department on Aging.

The FY 1999, Annual Report, A Profile of the Illinois Council on Aging, submitted by the Department on Aging.

A report on the FY 1999 Medical Expenditures for Services Provided in Prior Fiscal Years submitted by the Department of Public Aid as required in the IL Compiled Statutes 30 ILCS 105/25, Section (e)(i), as amended.

A report on the Unpaid Medical Claims on Hand at June 30, 1999, submitted by the Department of Public Aid as required in the IL Compiled Statutes 30 ILCS 105/25, Section (e)(ii), as amended.

A report on the results of the Department of Public Aid's efforts to combat fraud and abuse submitted by the Department of Public Aid as required in the IL Compiled Statutes 30 ILCS 105/25, Section (g)(3), as amended.

The 1999 Case Report submitted by the Legislative Reference Bureau in accordance with Section 5.05 of the Legislative Reference Bureau Act, 25 ILCS 135/5.05.

The Year 11 Annual Report for Illinois, October 1, 1997 -  
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September 30, 1998, submitted by the Illinois Interagency Council on Early Intervention.

The Annual Report for 1999 on Uniform State Laws, December 10, 1999, submitted by the Legislative Reference Bureau.

The 12th Annual report on Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management and Landfill Capacity in Illinois: 1998 submitted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

A report, The 1998 Statistical Presentation, submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Chapter 730, Illinois Compiled Statutes, 5/5-5-4.3.

A report, Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletic Programs at Illinois Public Universities, submitted by the Board of Higher Education in accordance with Public Act 89-166.

The Illinois Bond Watcher report submitted by the Illinois Economic and Fiscal Commission.

A Report on Village of Elizabethtown Hazard Mitigation Project, December 1999, submitted by the Department of Natural Resources pursuant to the Flood Control Act of 1945.

The FY99 reports on the financial operations of the Build Illinois Capital Revolving Loan Fund, Illinois Equity Fund, and Large Business Attraction Fund submitted by the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs in compliance with Section 9-9 and 10-9 of Public Act 84-109.

The Fiscal Year 1999 Annual Report submitted by the Will Kankakee Regional Development Authority as required in Section 535/13 - Records and Reports of the Authority 70ILCS 535/13.

The Fiscal Year 1999 Annual Report submitted by the Upper Illinois River Valley Development Authority as required by Section 530/14.

The Fiscal Year 1999 Annual Report submitted by the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority as required by Section 1515/5.

The Annual Report: Improvements to the Illinois Certification System submitted by the State Board of Education in compliance with Public Act 90-548 (105 ILCS 5/21-1a).

The Annual Report: Education Supply & Demand submitted by the State Board of Education required by The School Code, 105 ILCS 5/2-3.11c.

A report on the study of minority person and female ownership among all riverboat licenses submitted by the Illinois Gaming Board in response to Senate Joint Resolution 40.

A Report on School Dress Code submitted by the State Board of Education pursuant to House Resolution 266.

A report on the Fiscal Responsibility Report Card, Binders 1, 2, 3 and 4, submitted by the Office of the Comptroller pursuant to the

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Fiscal Responsibility Report Card Act (35 ILCS 200/30-30 and 200/30-31).

A Report on Jo Daviess County Hazard Mitigation Project, December 1999, submitted by the Department of Natural Resources in accordance with the Flood Control Act of 1945.

A report on ATM Safety and Security submitted by the Office of Banks and Real Estate, in compliance with Senate Resolution 134.

The 1999 Annual Report submitted by the Department of Human Services, Office of Rehabilitation Services.

The Annual Report on the Licensure Program submitted by the Department of Children and Family Services pursuant to Public Act 90-608.

A Status Report, Vector Control Program, January 2000, submitted by the Department of Public Health as required in Public Act 87-727 (415 ILCS 5/55.8 to 5/55.15).

A report extending the authorization of the Illinois Task Force on Organ Transplantation for another year beginning January 1, 2000, submitted by the Department of Public Health.

The report on the Long Term Care Partnership Insurance Project submitted by the Department on Aging in accordance with Public Act 89-525.

A report on the State's violence prevention programs submitted by the Department of Public Health mandated by Senate Resolution 130.

A report on the designation of MCI WorldCom as an Illinois High Impact Business submitted by the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs as required in 20 ILCS 655/5.5 (1999 Illinois Compiled Statutes), as amended in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.

The Illinois Health and Hazardous Substances Registry Annual Report, July 1998 - June 1999, submitted by the Department of Public Health in accordance with the Illinois Health and Hazardous Substances Registry Act (410 ILCS 525/1 et seq.).

The 1998 Annual Report, Fast Forward, submitted by the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

The report regarding the Board's use of the Used Tire Management Funds and the Board's activities in relation to used and waste tires submitted by the Illinois Pollution Control Board required by Public Act 89-499.

A report on State Owned and Surplus Real Property submitted by the Department of Central Management Services pursuant to Section 7.1 of the State Property Control Act (30 ILCS 605/7.1) and Public Act 90-520.

The 1999 State Board of Education Catalogue of Reports submitted by the State Board of Education as required in The School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.87).

The 2000 Charter Schools annual Report submitted by the State  
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Board of Education in compliance with Section 27A-12 of the Illinois Charter Schools Law (105 ILCS 5/27A-12).

The foregoing reports were ordered received and placed on file in the Secretary's Office.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURE FILED**

The following floor amendment to the Senate Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary, and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 677

#### **EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE**

On motion of Senator Demuzio, Senator Molaro was excused from attendance due to illness.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

JESSE WHITE - SECRETARY OF STATE

January 4, 2000

Honorable Jim Harry  
Secretary of the Senate  
Room 401  
Capitol Building  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Mr. Harry:

This office is forwarding herewith a copy of the Notice of Vacancy from the Democratic Legislative Committee of the Ninth Legislative District declaring the existence of a vacancy in the office of Senator in the Ninety-First General Assembly in the Ninth Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Arthur L. Berman on January 2, 2000.

Also enclosed are copies of the Appointment by the Democratic

Legislative Committee of the Ninth Legislative District of Carol Ronen, 6033 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60660, to the office of Senator from the Ninth Legislative District, along with the Oath of Office.

Yours truly,

s/Jesse White  
Secretary of State

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Mr. Jim Harry  
Secretary of the Senate

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State of Illinois  
Room 403, Capitol Building  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

In Re: The 9th Legislative Democratic Senatorial Committee

Dear Sir:

This is to inform you that the Democratic Legislative Committee for the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois, met on January 2, 2000, and organized pursuant to Section 8-5 of the Election Code.

The committee has declared an existence of a vacancy in the office of Senator in the General Assembly in the 9th Legislative District by virtue of the resignation of Arthur L. Berman on this same date, January 2, 2000.

You are hereby notified that the vacancy in office has been filled in accordance Section 25-6 of the Election Code by the appointment of Carol Ronen who resides at 6033 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60660.

The attached is a duly executed Certificate of Appointment to fill the vacancy in the Office of Senator in the Illinois General Assembly for the 9th Legislative District, which certifies the appointment of **CAROL RONEN** who resides at 6033 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60660 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of **ARTHUR L. BERMAN** in the Office of Senator in the Illinois General Assembly for the 9th Legislative District.

Dated January 2, 2000

Jeanne Bernstein  
Chairman of the Democratic  
Legislative Committee for the  
9th Legislative District

**CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT  
TO FILL VACANCY OF SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy currently exists in the Office of Senator in the General Assembly from the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois by reason of a resignation of **ARTHUR L. BERMAN** earlier on this date on January 2, 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Legislative Committee of the Democratic Party of the 9th Legislative District has declared the existence of a vacancy in said office and has voted to fill the vacancy as required by Section 25-6 of the Election Code; and

**WHEREAS**, **ARTHUR L. BERMAN** received a total number of 48, 178 votes at the general election held on November 5, 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, the total number of votes necessary to appoint a successor to fill the vacancy in the office of Senator in the General Assembly from the 9th Legislative District is 24, 090; and

**WHEREAS**, at the meeting of the Democratic Legislative Committee of the 9th Legislative District on January 2, 2000, **CAROL RONEN** who resides at 6033 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60660 and the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois received **28,085** votes to fill the vacancy of said office; **THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED** on this 2nd day of January, 2000 that the Democratic Legislative Committee of the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois hereby appoints **CAROL RONEN** who resides at 6033

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North Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois 60660 in the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois, who is eligible to serve as a member of the General Assembly and who is a member of the Democratic Party as a Senator in the General Assembly from the 9th Legislative District for the remainder of the term.

**CHAIRMAN:**

s/Jeanne Bernstein  
COMMITTEEMAN DEMOCRATIC  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE 9TH LEGISLATIVE  
DISTRICT

s/Michael A. Volini  
COMMITTEEMAN DEMOCRATIC  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE 9TH LEGISLATIVE  
DISTRICT

**SECRETARY: ATTEST**

s/Patrick J. O'Connor (by M.A.V.)  
COMMITTEEMAN DEMOCRATIC  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE 9TH LEGISLATIVE  
DISTRICT

s/Sandra M. Reid  
COMMITTEEMAN DEMOCRATIC  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE 9TH LEGISLATIVE  
DISTRICT

Subscribed and sworn to me  
before this 2nd day of  
January, 2000.

s/Rochelle Grimbau  
Notary Public

STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
                                  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF COOK            )

**OATH OF OFFICE**

I, **Carol Ronen**, do solemnly swear and affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of State Senator in the General Assembly for the 9th Legislative District of the State of Illinois to the best of my abilities.

s/Carol Ronen

Subscribed and sworn to me before this  
2nd day of January, 2000.

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s/Rochelle Grimbau  
Notary Public

ILLINOIS STATE SENATE  
LISA MADIGAN  
SENATOR

January 4, 2000

Mr. Jim Harry  
Secretary of the Senate  
Room 403 Capitol Building  
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Harry:

Please be advised that I hereby resign my position on the Senate

Standing Committee on Local Government. This resignation is effective immediately.

Very truly yours,

s/Lisa Madigan  
State Senator

CC: Senate Democratic Leader Emil Jones, Jr.  
Senate President James "Pate" Philip

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
SENATE

EMIL JONES, JR.  
SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

January 7, 2000

Mr. Jim Harry  
Secretary of the Senate  
Room 403 Capitol Building  
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Harry:

Please be advised that I have appointed Senator Lisa Madigan to the Senate Standing Committee on Education to serve as the Minority Spokesperson. This appointment is effective immediately.

Sincerely,

s/Emil Jones, Jr.  
Senate Democratic Leader

**MESSAGE FROM THE COMPTROLLER**

**OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER**

**DANIEL W. HYNES**  
Comptroller

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To the Honorable Members of the Senate  
Ninety-First General Assembly

I have nominated the following named person to the Merit Commission of the Office of Comptroller for a term of six years, expiring the third Monday in January, 2006. I respectfully ask concurrence in the confirmation of this appointment by your Honorable

body.

Elizabeth L. Jenson  
Non-Salaried

Very truly yours,

s/Daniel W. Hynes  
Comptroller

Under the rules, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Executive Appointments.

At the hour of 12:35 o'clock p.m., Senator Geo-Karis presiding.

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

A message from the House by  
Mr. Rossi, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed a bill of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

#### **HOUSE BILL NO. 2869**

A bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Pension Code.

Passed the House, December 2, 1999.

ANTHONY D. ROSSI, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bill No. 2869** was taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1292.** Introduced by Senator Molaro, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by adding Section 15-185.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1293.** Introduced by Senator del Valle, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Election Code by adding Section 9-8.20.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1294.** Introduced by Senator Jacobs, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Forest Preserve Zoological Parks Act by changing Section 1.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered

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printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1295.** Introduced by Senator Jacobs, a bill for AN ACT concerning public universities.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1296.** Introduced by Senator Bowles, a bill for AN ACT concerning taxation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1297.** Introduced by Senator Jacobs, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Notary Public Act by changing Sections 2-101, 2-102, 2-106, 3-105, and 4-101.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1298.** Introduced by Senator Lauzen, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code by changing Section 15-109.1.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1299.** Introduced by Senator Radogno, a bill for AN ACT in relation to environmental safety.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1300.** Introduced by Senator Radogno, a bill for AN ACT in relation to environmental safety.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1301.** Introduced by Senator Radogno, a bill for AN ACT in relation to property taxes.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1302.** Introduced by Senator Geo-Karis, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Township Code by changing Sections 115-20 and 115-105.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1303.** Introduced by Senator Peterson, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by changing Section 23-15 and 23-30.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1304.** Introduced by Senator Lauzen, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by changing Sections 21-15, 21-20, and 21-25.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1305.** Introduced by Senator del Valle, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Insurance Code by changing Section 370e.

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The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1306.** Introduced by Senator Mahar, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act by changing Section 203.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1307.** Introduced by Senator O'Malley, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by changing Section 15-172.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1308.** Introduced by Senator Lauzen, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act by changing Section 208 and adding Section 212.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1309.** Introduced by Senator Dillard, a bill for AN ACT to create the Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1310.** Introduced by Senator Watson, a bill for AN ACT in relation to taxes.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1311.** Introduced by Senator Mitchell, a bill for AN ACT making appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1312.** Introduced by Senators Radogno - O'Malley - Philip, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by changing Section 15-175.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1313.** Introduced by Senator Donahue, a bill for AN ACT concerning occupation and use taxes, amending named Acts.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1314.** Introduced by Senator Sieben, a bill for AN ACT in relation to abuse.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered

printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1315.** Introduced by Senator Jacobs, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code by changing Section 3-402.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1316.** Introduced by Senator Geo-Karis, a bill for AN ACT in relation to the State Treasurer.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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**SENATE BILL NO. 1317.** Introduced by Senator Maitland, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Code by changing Section 18-195.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1318.** Introduced by Senator Silverstein, a bill for AN ACT in relation to firearm liability.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1319.** Introduced by Senator Silverstein, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Criminal Code of 1961 by adding Section 32-4d.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1320.** Introduced by Senator Silverstein, a bill for AN ACT in relation to Second World War forced labor and slave labor victims.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1321.** Introduced by Senators Dillard - Philip, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Compensation Review Act by changing Section 4.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1322.** Introduced by Senator R. Madigan, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Collection Agency Act by changing Section 9.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1323.** Introduced by Senator Burzynski, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Dental Practice Act.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1324.** Introduced by Senator Obama, a bill for AN

ACT concerning law enforcement, amending named Acts.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1325.** Introduced by Senator Peterson, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act by adding Section 212.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1326.** Introduced by Senator Peterson, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act by changing Section 201.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1327.** Introduced by Senator Peterson, a bill for AN ACT concerning taxation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1328.** Introduced by Senator Peterson, a bill for AN ACT to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act by changing Section 201.

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The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

#### **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 233**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Darlene L. Paris-Bradley of Chicago.

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 234**

Offered by Senator R. Madigan and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Mary Rodgers of Havana.

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 235**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Hubert Lewis Jones of Grafton.

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 236**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Paul George "P.G." Fiedler.

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 237**

Offered by Senator Demuzio and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marion Beach of Jerseyville.

##### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 238**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James J. Cizek of Hinsdale.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 239**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Alice Jean Halladay of Hinsdale.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 240**

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Brandon S. Kimber of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 241**

Offered by Senator Hawkinson and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Ralph Allen Killey of Monmouth.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 242**

Offered by Senator O'Malley and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Thomas Fegan, Sr., of Oak Lawn.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 243**

Offered by Senator O'Malley and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Lee Roy T. Erickson of Palos Heights.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 244**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Mrs. Sondra Boston-Johnson of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 245**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Mrs. Betty Ann Ross of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 246**

Offered by Senator Lauzen and all Senators:

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Mourns the death of Wanda N. Meyer of Aurora.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 247**

Offered by Senator Lauzen and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Annunzio Covelli of North Aurora.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 248**

Offered by Senator Noland and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Keith M. Bell of Bement.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 249**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of James L. Wright of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 250**

Offered by Senator Lauzen and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Catherine Shadis of Aurora.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 251**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Bob Boydston.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 252**

Offered by Senator Link and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Paul C. Burke of Waukegan.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 253**

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of John D. Graham of Hinsdale.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 254**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Regina Bibbs of Chicago.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 255**

Offered by Senator E. Jones and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Edward T. Hanley of Wadsworth.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 256**

Offered by Senators Geo-Karis - Peterson - T. Walsh and all  
Senators:

Mourns the death of Mary Belle Derderian Murphy.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 257**

Offered by Senators Geo-Karis - Peterson and all Senators:  
Mourns the death of Marija Kajfez Gornik of Beach Park.

The foregoing resolutions were referred to the Resolutions  
Consent Calendar.

Senator O'Malley offered the following Senate Joint Resolution,  
which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 48**

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States enacted the Education  
for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975 (P.L. 94-142), now known as  
the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), to ensure  
that all children with disabilities in the United States have  
available to them a free and appropriate public education that  
emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet

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their unique needs, to assure that the rights of children with  
disabilities and their parents or guardians are protected, to assist  
states and localities to provide for the education of all children  
with disabilities, and to assess and assure the effectiveness of  
efforts to educate children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Since 1975, federal law has authorized appropriation  
levels for grants to states under the IDEA at 40% of the average  
per-pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in  
the United States; and

WHEREAS, Congress continued the 40% funding authority in Public  
Law 105-17, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act  
Amendments of 1997; and

WHEREAS, Congress has never appropriated funds equivalent to the authorized level, has never exceeded the 10% level, and has usually only appropriated funding at about the 8% level; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year proposes \$868,422,000 of funding for special education programs; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois anticipates receiving approximately \$195,787,282 in federal special education funds under Part B of the IDEA for the 1999-2000 school year, even though the federally authorized level of funding would provide over \$477,529,900 annually to Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Local educational agencies in Illinois are required to pay for the underfunded federal mandates for special education programs, at a statewide total cost of approaching \$281,742,600 annually, from regular education program money, thereby reducing the funding that is available for other education programs; and

WHEREAS, The 1999 decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of Cedar Rapids Community Sch. Dist. v. Garret F. (143 L.Ed 2d 154) has had the effect of creating an additional mandate for providing specialized health care that will significantly increase the costs associated with providing special education services; and

WHEREAS, Whether or not Illinois participates in the IDEA grant program, the State has to meet the requirements of Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 701) and its implementing regulations (34 C.F.R. 104), which prohibit recipients of federal financial assistance, including educational institutions, from discriminating on the basis of disability, yet no federal funds are available under the Act for state grants; and

WHEREAS, Illinois is committed to providing a free and appropriate public education to children and youth with disabilities, in order to meet their unique needs; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly is extremely concerned that, since 1978, Congress has not provided states with the full amount of financial assistance necessary to achieve its goal of ensuring children and youth with disabilities equal protection of the laws; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we respectfully memorialize the President and the Congress of the United States to provide the full 40% federal share of funding for special education programs so that Illinois and other states participating in these critical programs will not be required to take funding from other vital state and local programs in order to fund this underfunded mandate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President and the Vice-President of the United States, to the Majority Leader of the Senate of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, to the Chair of

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Appropriations, to each member of the Illinois congressional delegation, and to the United States Secretary of Education.

**READING BILLS FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
A FIRST TIME**

**House Bill No. 428**, sponsored by Senator Myers was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 739**, sponsored by Senator Philip was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 861**, sponsored by Senator Philip was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 1003**, sponsored by Senator Syverson was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 1005**, sponsored by Senator Syverson was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 1407**, sponsored by Senator Philip was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 2109**, sponsored by Senator Watson was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 2181**, sponsored by Senator Syverson was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**House Bill No. 2869**, sponsored by Senators R. Madigan - Molaro - O'Malley - Cullerton was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**REPORTS FROM RULES COMMITTEE**

Senator Weaver, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its January 12, 2000 meeting, reported the following Senate Bills have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committees of the Senate:

Education: **Senate Bill No. 1282.**

Environment and Energy: **Senate Bills numbered 1288 and 1300.**

Executive: **Senate Bills numbered 1281, 1283, 1309 and 1321.**

Financial Institutions: **Senate Bill No. 1275.**

Licensed Activities: **Senate Bill No. 1248.**

Local Government: **Senate Bills numbered 1293, 1294 and 1302.**

State Government Operations: **Senate Bills numbered 1284 and 1297.**

Transportation: **Senate Bills numbered 1156, 1252, 1261, 1298 and 1315.**

Senator Weaver, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its January 12, 2000 meeting, reported the following House Bills have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committees of the Senate:

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Agriculture and Conservation: **House Bill No. 1967.**

Executive: **House Bills numbered 739, 861, 1407, 2109, 2346 and 2855.**

Senator Weaver, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its January 12, 2000 meeting, reported the following Senate Resolutions have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committee of the Senate:

Executive: **Senate Resolution No. 203; Senate Joint Resolution No. 42.**

At the hour of 12:48 o'clock p.m., on motion of Senator Bowles, the Senate stood adjourned until Thursday, January 13, 2000 at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

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